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AMENDMENT

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In re Application of

Akito UMEBAYASHI

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Filed: June 01, 2000

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Sir:

For:

The following amendment and remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action dated March 12, 2003.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27

Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

|                             | NO. OF<br>CLAIMS | HIGHEST<br>PREVIOUSLY<br>PAID FOR | EXTRA<br>CLAIMS | RATE      | FEE    |
|-----------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|--------|
| Total Claims                | 13               | 20                                | 0               | \$18.00 = | \$0.00 |
| Independent Claims          | 1                | 3                                 | 0               | \$84.00 = | \$0.00 |
|                             |                  | Multiple claims newly presented   |                 |           | \$0.00 |
|                             |                  | Fee for extension of time         |                 |           | \$0.00 |
|                             |                  |                                   |                 |           | \$0.00 |
| Total of Above Calculations |                  |                                   |                 | \$0.00    |        |

Please charge my Deposit Account No. <u>500417</u> in the amount of \$0.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500417, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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